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Date:

March 12, 1999

To:

All Wholesalers (Be sure this goes to company principals)

Re:

SSB 5872 - .02 DUI

Sender:

Phillip H. Wayt

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Action Needed!!

Substitute Senate Bill 5872

As introduced by Senators Mike Heavey, Tracey Edie and Bob Oke SSB 5872 would make it a traffic infraction to drive with a blood alcohol content (BAC) level of .02 percent or higher. Offenders would lose their drivers license for 30 days and face a fine of \$500.

As our Tumwater, Washington police chief said, "You'd just about be getting anybody who had a drink." Anybody who left a bar . . . would be susceptible." (Olympian 2/27/99)

SSB 5872 has moved out of the Senate Judiciary (Chaired by Senator Heavey) and is now in the Senate Rules Committee. It has to pass through a number of steps in that committee to move to the Senate floor for a vote. It has taken one such step.

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT

CASE NO. CV04-0360P

EXHIBIT NO. 159

EXHIBIT NO. 230 Date: 8 1/05

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If you have a senator on the Rules Committee, please contact them by telephone <u>immediately!</u> The Rules Committee is chaired by Lt. Governor Brad Owen. The democrat members are: Wojhan, Bauer, Costa, Edie, Franklin, Goings, Sheldon, B., Snyder, Spanel. The Republicans are: Deccio, Hale, Hochstatter, Horn, Johnson, McDonald and Sellar. Please look up their office number in the legislative directories we mailed out earlier in the session. Ask them to vote NO on SSB 5872 if it come us in Rules Committee.

You can also call the Legislative Hotline at 1-800-562-6000. However, calls to their individual office are more effective.

Although, if the bill passes the Senate, chances are good that we could kill it in the House with its 49-49 split, we cannot take that for granted. We must oppose it in Senate Rules now! We are on record opposing the bill and testified against the bill in the Senate Judiciary Committee along with the Tavern Association and Anheuser-Busch.

Here are some key talking points.

- 08 just became effective in Washington January 1, 1999. There is no evidence that it will even work. A recent study in North Carolina shows no positive effect from .08.
- Law enforcement doesn't support the bill. They have no money to enforce such a law and it
 would take police off the road to a greater extent than .08.
- . 02 would kill the on-premise industry in Washington
- We should concentrate on seeing that the 13 DUI laws passed last session work against repeat offenders and those with a high BAC.

Please report specific input from individual senators to Laura in our office.

There is no time for letters. Please call today! Bills originating in the Senate must pass the full Senate by 5:00 P.M. on March 17,

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